

EARNINGS TELECONFERENCE

THIRD QUARTER - FISCAL 2018



FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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Q3 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

- Delivered Q3 2018 adjusted EPS growth of 28% as compared to the prior year
- Strong commercial execution resulting in volume growth and margin expansion
- Capacity additions through advantaged debottlenecks and operational improvements enabling volume growth in Reinforcement Materials and Performance Chemicals
- Managing raw material variability through operational flexibility and pricing
- Key growth investments on track
- Dividend increased by 5% in May 2018
- Continued commitment to return cash to shareholders with year-to-date fiscal 2018 dividends and share repurchases totaling \$119 million
- Increased share repurchase authorization with the expectation that we will repurchase shares totaling \$400 million over the next three years

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(in millions, except per share amounts)	Q3	2018	Q3	2017	Change
Diluted EPS	\$	1.40	\$	0.73	92%
Adjusted EPS	\$	1.06	\$	0.83	28%
Revenue	\$	854	\$	705	21%
Total Segment EBIT	\$	127	\$	99	28%
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	149	\$	127	17%

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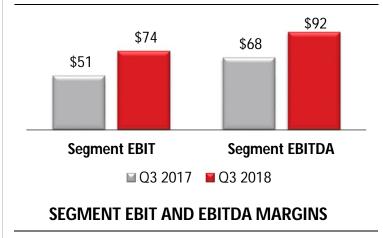
REINFORCEMENT MATERIALS SEGMENT OPERATING PERFORMANCE

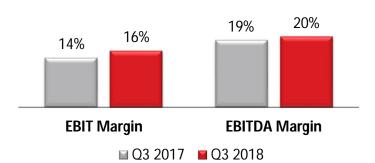
Q3 FISCAL 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

- Strong commercial execution
- Delivered above-market volume growth in all regions
- Higher spot pricing
- Improved pricing and product mix from calendar year 2018 tire customer agreements



SEGMENT EBIT AND EBITDA (\$ MILLIONS)





FISCAL 2018 OUTLOOK

- Robust performance expected to continue due to excellent commercial execution and advantaged leadership position
- Higher level of turnaround and maintenance related activity anticipated in Q4

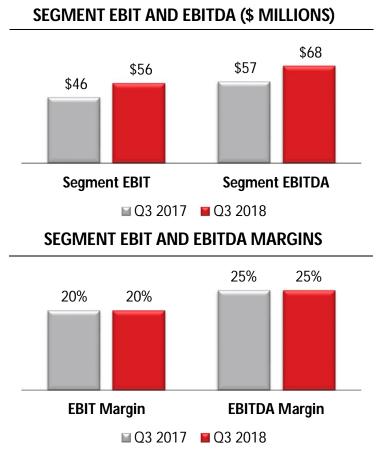


PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS SEGMENT OPERATING PERFORMANCE

Q3 FISCAL 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

- Pricing realization to recover rising feedstock costs
- Above-market volume growth in Specialty Carbons and Formulations (+17%), including the benefit from our TechBlend acquisition
- Strong mix contribution from targeted application development





FISCAL 2018 OUTLOOK

- Pricing actions to recover rising feedstock costs
- Continue to deliver volume growth in Specialty Carbons and Formulations
- Impact from scheduled turnarounds at Metal Oxides feedstock partner plants in Q4



PURIFICATION SOLUTIONS SEGMENT OPERATING PERFORMANCE

Q3 FISCAL 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

- Competitive landscape in mercury removal and North America powder applications drove lower volumes and margins
- Lower fixed costs due to restructuring efforts executed earlier in the year



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FISCAL 2018 OUTLOOK

- Sequential improvement expected due to higher seasonal volumes and lower fixed costs
- Continue to explore strategic alternatives



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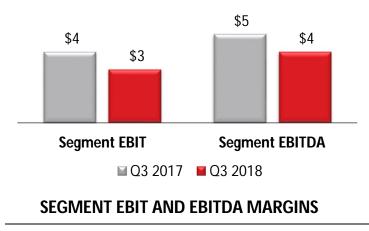
SPECIALTY FLUIDS SEGMENT OPERATING PERFORMANCE

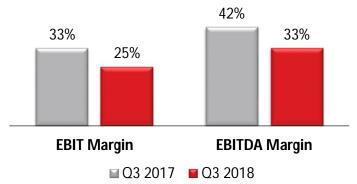
Q3 FISCAL 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

- Recent commercial success in Middle East and Africa drove new project activity during the quarter
- Positioned well for strong fourth quarter of fiscal 2018



SEGMENT EBIT AND EBITDA (\$ MILLIONS)





FISCAL 2018 OUTLOOK

 Continued ramp-up of drilling activity in the fourth quarter due to recently awarded projects



CORPORATE FINANCIAL ITEMS¹



- Liquidity remains strong at \$828 million
- Cash flow from operations of \$62 million; DFCF² of \$81 million
- Capital expenditures of \$58 million; \$250 million forecasted for fiscal 2018
- ✓ Dividends of \$21 million and share repurchases of \$43 million
- Year-to-date and forecasted operating tax rate of 21%

All amounts are for the third quarter fiscal 2018 or as of June 30, 2018, unless otherwise specified
 Discretionary Free Cash Flow. Refer to Non-GAAP Measures CABOT CORPORATION

LOOKING AHEAD...

- Capitalizing on strong fundamentals
- Reinforcement Materials 2019 customer agreements
- Capacity expansions on track
- Performance Chemicals price increases
- ✓ Marine Pollution (MARPOL) Regulations
- US / China tariffs



FISCAL 2018 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OUTLOOK

Raising the floor and narrowing the range of adjusted earnings per share guidance

REINFORCEMENT MATERIALS

\$275M - \$285M

Segment

EBIT



PERFORMANCE CHEMICALS

\$205M - \$215M



PURIFICATION SOLUTIONS

(\$5)M - \$0M



SPECIALTY FLUIDS

\$0M - \$5M



Adjusted earnings per share \$4.00 - \$4.20



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USE OF NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES & DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This presentation includes references to adjusted earnings per share (EPS), total segment EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA, discretionary free cash flow and operating tax rate, which are non-GAAP measures. Reconciliations of adjusted EPS to EPS from continuing operations, Total segment EBIT to Income (Loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in earnings of affiliated companies, and operating tax rate to effective tax rate, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measures, are provided in the tables included in our third guarter earnings release and filed on our Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated August 6, 2018 and filed on August 7, 2018.

Reconciliations for Total Segment EBIT and segment EBITDA for each segment are included in the following slides.

This presentation also includes our forecast of adjusted EPS for fiscal 2018. We do not provide a forecast for GAAP EPS or reconcile either our forecast of adjusted EPS to GAAP EPS or our expected adjusted EPS growth rate range with a GAAP EPS growth rate range because, without unreasonable effort, we are unable to predict with reasonable certainty the matters we would allocate to "certain items," including unusual gains and losses, costs associated with future restructurings, acquisition-related expenses and litigation outcomes. These items are uncertain, depend on various factors, and could have a material impact on GAAP EPS in future periods.

To calculate "Discretionary Free Cash Flow" we deduct sustaining and compliance capital expenditures and changes in Net Working Capital from cash flow from operating activities.

Explanation of Terms Used

Product Mix. The term "product mix" refers to the mix of types and grade of products sold or the mix of geographic regions where products are sold, and the positive or negative impact this has on the revenue or profitability of the business or segment.

Net Working Capital. The term "net working capital" includes accounts receivable, inventory and accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES TOTAL SEGMENT EBIT AND ADJUSTED EBITDA

Our Chief Operating Decision Maker uses segment income (loss) from continuing operations before interest and taxes (which we refer to as segment "EBIT") to evaluate the operating results of each segment and to allocate resources to the segments. We believe Total segment EBIT, which reflects the sum of EBIT from our 4 reportable segments, provides useful supplemental information for our investors as it is an important indicator of the Company's operational strength and performance, allows investors to see our results through the eyes of management, and provides context for our discussion of individual business segment performance. Total segment EBIT is a non-GAAP financial measure, and should not be considered an alternative for Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in earnings of affiliated companies, which is the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. In calculating Total segment EBIT, we exclude from our income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in earnings of affiliated companies: (i) items of expense and income that management does not consider representative of our fundamental on-going segment results, which we refer to as "certain items", and (ii) items that, because they are not controlled by the business segments and primarily benefit corporate objectives, are not allocated to our business segments, such as interest expense and other corporate costs, which include unallocated corporate overhead expenses such as certain corporate salaries and headquarter expenses, plus costs related to special projects and initiatives, which we refer to as "other unallocated items". Management believes excluding the items identified as certain items facilitates operating performance comparisons from period to period by eliminating the differences caused by the existence and timing of certain expenses and income items that would not otherwise be apparent on a GAAP basis. Investors should consider the limitations associated with this non-GAAP measure

	Q3 2018		Q3 2017		Q2 2018	
Income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes and equity in earnings of affiliated companies	\$	95	\$	68	\$	(171)
Less: Certain items		(3)		(2)		(264)
Less: Other unallocated items		(29)		(29)		(34)
Total Segment EBIT	\$	127	\$	99	\$	127
Plus: Total Depreciation & Amortization		38		39		40
Plus: Adjustments to Depreciation (C)		(1)		-		1
Less: Unallocated Corporate Costs		15		11		16
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	149	\$	127	\$	152

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES SEGMENT EBITDA

Segment EBITDA is comprised of Segment EBIT plus depreciation and amortization. Management believes that Segment EBITDA is useful supplemental information because it provides investors with a view of the cash generated by each of the Company's segments, which is available to fund operating needs such as working capital and capital expenditures as well as the cost of financing the Company's capital needs and returning cash to shareholders.

	Q3 2018		Q3 2017		Q2 2018	
Reinforcement Materials EBIT	\$	74	\$	51	\$	79
Plus: Depreciation & Amortization		18		17		18
Reinforcement Materials EBITDA	\$	92	\$	68	\$	97

	Q3 2018		Q3 2017		Q2 2018	
Performance Chemicals EBIT	\$	56	\$	46	\$	57
Plus: Depreciation & Amortization		12		11		12
Performance Chemicals EBITDA	\$	68	\$	57	\$	69

	Q3 2018		Q3 2017		Q2 2018	
Purification Solutions EBIT	\$	(6)	\$	(2)	\$	(6)
Plus: Depreciation & Amortization		7		10		10
Purification Solutions EBITDA	\$	1	\$	8	\$	4

	Q3 2018		Q3 2017		Q2 2018	
Specialty Fluids EBIT	\$	3	\$	4	\$	(3)
Plus: Depreciation & Amortization		1		1		1
Specialty Fluids EBITDA	\$	4	\$	5	\$	(2)

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES DISCRETIONARY FREE CASH FLOW

To calculate "Discretionary Free Cash Flow" we deduct sustaining and compliance capital expenditures and changes in Net Working Capital from cash flow from operating activities.

	Q3 2018	
Cash flow from operating activities (A)	\$	62
Less: Changes in net working capital (B)		(58)
Less: Sustaining and compliance capital expenditures		39
Discretionary Free Cash Flow	\$	81

- (A) As provided in the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.
- (B) Defined as changes in accounts receivable, inventory and accounts payable and accrued liabilities as presented on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows.